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LABOR SHORTAGE SLOWS PRODUCTION AT BOR MINE;
IRONWORKS OUTPUT SETS RECORD

BOB MINE NEEDS PERMANENT WORKERS -- Bal, No 83, 7 Apr 49

Production at the Bor combine is not meeting the plan because of a shortage of labor, especially in the strip mine and in the pit. This is the more serious since the mechanization plan cannot be fully realized, because of the failure of other People's Democratic countries to deliver the necessary materials and equipment.

Last year about 36,000 workers passed through the Bor mine. Many of these were farm workers, who worked in the mine only when farm work was not available. The need at the Bor mine is not for new recruits, but for a method of assuring that mine workers stay in the mine and work there regularly.

IRONWORKS SET NEW PRODUCTION RECORDS -- Borba, No 78, 2 Apr 49

In March the ironworks at Jesenice achieved the highest production in its history, or 10 percent more than for its most productive month of 1948. Although the 1949 plan for the ironworks is 9 percent greater than last year's, it surpassed its production plan for the first quarter 1949 by 6 percent.

The ironworks at Smederevo surpassed its plan for March by 16.5 percent by producing 56 percent more than during its most productive month before the war. The open-hearth furnaces now average four charges a day, and often make five. Before the war, three charges were the most ever made in one day at this plant.

The ironworks at Suederevo fulfilled its production plan for the first quarter of 1949 by 104.5 percent.

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SERBIAN COAL MINES TO HAVE NEW POWER PLANT -- Politika, No 13202, 4 Apr 49

In spite of a fire in a pit and unfavorable weather, the 3-months' production plan in the Mlava coal mines in Serbia was fulfilled 100.7 percent 9 days ahead of schedule. The irregular arrival of freight cars, however, prevented the fulfillment of the transport plan.

An electric power plant now under construction will contribute to the mechanization of the mine and improve the workers' living standard.

METAL PLANT OVERCOMES SHORTAGES -- Borba, No 78, 2 Apr 49

The "Tito" Metal Products Factory in Skoplje fulfilled its 3-months' production plan 105 percent, although it fell below its January plan by 34 percent, and although 9 days were lost in March in the forge and three in the foundry because of a shortage of electric power and coke.

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